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Applicant: WILLIAM D. SUVAL

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2003, the period for response to which has been extended to September 15, 2003, by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 is enclosed. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: